[Mr. S. Parameswara Aiyar.]

Agricultural Boards in Kuttanad.

346. MR. L. R. RAJA RAJA VARMA KOIL TAMPURAN (*Edavakai*): Will the Government be pleased to state how far the idea of establishing Agricultural Boards in Kuttanad has developed?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): In July, 1922, Government asked the Land Revenue Commissioner to take up the question of establishing Irrigation or Agricultural Panchayats to deal effectively with the question of putting up bunds in *punja* lands and of draining such lands before cultivation and to submit detailed proposals with draft rules. A meeting of the people of Kuttanad was held at Alleppey by the Division Peishkar, Quilon, in December, 1923, and at that meeting, a sub-committee was formed to consider the draft rules framed by the Division Peishkar. Two meetings of the sub-committee were held in January and February, 1924, and it is reported that the examination of the draft rules is not yet completed.

Final Order re. Free Pass Rules.

347. MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Muvattupuzha*): (*a*) When did the Government pass final orders on the reports of the Free Pass Rules Committee?

(*b*) Have the Government published the reports of the committee and their final orders in the *Gazette* or furnished the members of the committee with printed copies of the same?

(*c*) Will the Government be pleased to place on the table copies of these papers?

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) 31st January, 1924.

(*b*) and (*c*) No report was received by the Government. A set of revised draft rules was received from the convener of the committee signed by all the members, together with the dissenting minutes of two members. The rules with certain modifications were passed by the Government and published in the *Gazette*, dated the 26th February, 1924.

MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Muvattupuzha*): ഫ്രീപാസ് റൂൾസ് കമ്മിറ്റിയിൽ ഇരിപക്ഷക്കാരുടെ റിപ്പോർട്ട് ഗസറ്റിൽ പ്രസിദ്ധപ്പെടുത്തീട്ടുണ്ടോ?

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): അതാണല്ലോ മറുപടിയിൽ പറഞ്ഞിട്ടുള്ളത്. പ്രത്യേകം ഒരു റിപ്പോർട്ട് കമ്മിറ്റി അയച്ചിട്ടില്ല.

MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Muvattupuzha*): മിനിട്ട്സ് പ്രസിദ്ധപ്പെടുത്തീട്ടുണ്ടോ?

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): പ്രസിദ്ധപ്പെടുത്തീട്ടില്ല.

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